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House Resolution 742

By: Representative O'Neal of the 146th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mrs. Martha Gonzalez Valdez for outstanding contributions
- 2 to public education in the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Martha Gonzalez Valdez has long been recognized by the citizens of this
- 4 state for the vital role that she has played in the teaching profession and her deep personal
- 5 commitment to the education of the students of Georgia; and
- 6 WHEREAS, each year, retired school teachers who have made a significant impact on the
- 7 students of Houston County are selected to be inducted into the Houston County Teacher
- 8 Hall of Fame; and
- 9 WHEREAS, in order to qualify as a nominee for the Houston County Teacher Hall of Fame,
- an educator must have over 20 years of classroom experience and been actively involved
- 11 with enriching the lives of students outside the classroom with their involvement in
- 12 extracurricular activities; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Mrs. Valdez dedicated an amazing 28 years to molding young minds and
- 14 challenging students in Houston County as a Spanish instructor at Warner Robins High
- 15 School; and
- 16 WHEREAS, during her outstanding teaching career, Mrs. Valdez was named Warner Robins
- 17 High School's Teacher of the Year three times and was the school's STAR Teacher in 1976;
- 18 and
- 19 WHEREAS, before her retirement in 1994, Mrs. Valdez was an active member of many
- 20 professional organizations, including the Georgia Chapter of the American Association of
- 21 Teachers of Spanish and Portugese, which honored her as Foreign Language Teacher of the
- 22 Year in 1986; and

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23 WHEREAS, nothing is more vital to the future of our state than the education of our young

- 24 people, and Mrs. Valdez has, during her teaching career, exemplified the selfless dedication
- and professionalism which are characteristic of our finest educators; and
- 26 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this body join in expressing appreciation to Mrs. Valdez
- 27 for her outstanding efforts and accomplishments in education.
- 28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 29 the members of this body commend Mrs. Martha Gonzalez Valdez for her sacrifice,
- 30 foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education in Georgia, recognize
- 31 her for the positive influence she has had upon the lives and futures of countless young
- 32 people in this state, and extend congratulations upon her induction into the Houston County
- 33 Teacher Hall of Fame.
- 34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 35 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Martha Gonzalez
- 36 Valdez.